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# A HISTORY OF RELIGION IN PITTSFIELD TOWNSHIP, WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN, 1825–1930

By the late Mary Campbell*

Though visiting ministers came to the township at an early time, the earliest record we have of organized religious meetings was the Sunday school held under the oak trees near the intersection of Packard and Platt Roads in the summer of 1825. Ezra Whitmore remembered Elzada Fairbrother as a teacher and Lorin Mills named his wife Harriet Parsons.

Having no initial church within the township, residents were involved in the formation of churches in neighboring Ann Arbor, Saline or Ypsilanti. There are records that reveal the names of some of these families. When the Presbyterian Church in Ann Arbor was organized in 1826, Roswell, Agnes and Harriet Parsons as well as Phebe (Mrs. Luke) Whitmore were listed among the founders. Later Ezra Carpenter attended and became a deacon. A Baptist minister Elder J. S. Twiss lived in the township from 1827–1829, holding meetings in homes and schools. He became the second minister of the First Baptist Church of Ann Arbor from 1831–36. He was instrumental in the formation of the First Baptist Church of Ypsilanti in 1836. Talmon Brown was among the founders. In 1829, Sarah Whitmore (Mrs. Oliver), Andrew and Esther (Carpenter) Coryell were listed with the first members of the Presbyterian Church of Ypsilanti. Ezra Carpenter and Mason Hatfield were elected elders in August 1832. Mr. Carpenter continued to serve as an elder or deacon until his death in 1841. His wife Lucy, children Harriet, Sarah, Justus, Horace, and daughter-in-law Celia (Mrs. Horace) were members also. In October 1833, some of the members of the Ypsilanti church were released in order to form the Stony Creek Presbyterian Church. Those from Pittsfield were Deacon Mason Hatfield and his wife, Aruba, Lucinda Rowley, Allen Crittenden and Emily, his wife. In 1829 Henry Rumsey was among the first members of Saint Andrew's Episcopal Church in Ann Arbor. Mr. Rumsey had patents of land in Pittsfield and later became a resident. Among the first members of the Presbyterian Church of Lodi in 1836 were Francis M. and Susannah Lansing (he served as deacon 1844–45) and their son John F. and Lydia, his wife. Also John and Elizabeth Allison.

In 1845 the First and Second Wesleyan of Pittsfield met at the school house near Textile and Campbell Roads in order to form the First Wesleyan Society of Pittsfield. A church was erected nearby in 1846, and was used until the 1860s when many members joined the Methodist Church in Saline. Mr. William Harwood sometimes preached there.

A Pittsfield Ladies Aid *[Society]* existed for many years. Existing record books cover 1838-1947.

Sunday schools met in several of the schoolhouses. The Pittsfield Union Sabbath School met in the Roberts School, which was near Carpenter Road on Michigan Avenue. In 1878, a room was added to the school for Sunday School purposes and paid for by the Sunday School. Sunday School members came from several school districts besides the Roberts district, principally Town Hall and Carpenter districts.

The Pittsfield Sunday School meeting at the Stone School house was well established by 1893. Though it lost much momentum after World War I it continued with some lapses until school buildings were no longer allowed to hold religious meetings.

The Platt School had a Sunday school active by the 1930s.

There was a Sunday school in the Mills school at least in the early 1900s.

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* Mary A. Campbell (1915–2005) was born at Cobblestone Farm in Ann Arbor. She lived there with parents, Robert Clare and Carrie Campbell and her two brothers, William and George. She graduated from Eastern Michigan University and the University of Michigan. She was active in several community service organizations including the Red Cross; Sarah Caswell Angell Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution; Home Economics Extension Clubs; and the historical societies of Washtenaw County and Pittsfield Township. She was a long-time member of St. Clare's of Assisi Episcopal Church.

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**DEATH OF MRS. WILL C. TURNER, MICHIGAN, 1883**

From the Columbus, Ohio Saturday Gazette of April 21, 1883.

The young and estimable wife of Mr. Will C. Turner, editor of the City and Country, died Tuesday evening last, at the family residence, 74 East Friend Street, of consumption. While recognizing the fact that her death was but a question of time, the insidious disease seemed to toy with its young victim, and led to the hope that she still might be spared for a few years to illumine the household that loved her so well and she loved so dearly in return. Mrs. Turner seemed more cognizant of the near approach of the end than the loved ones about her, and for their sake she bore her sufferings with self-suffering heroism, but the struggle was too great, and Tuesday afternoon overtaxed nature gave way, and taking to her bed, she began to sink rapidly, and at 7:30 the stricken frame yielded up as gentle and loving spirit as ever took its flight to Heaven. Her husband and two young children, aged four and two years respectively, are thus bereft of her earthly presence, but her memory as wife and mother remain a beacon, that will ever illumine their pathway through life.

Mrs. Turner *[Donna Mozart]* was a daughter of Mrs. A. M. Mozart of this city.

*Ann Arbor Register*, Jul. 25, 1883. p. 8.

# POLL LIST OF HAMBURG TOWNSHIP, LIVINGSTON COUNTY, MICHIGAN, 1837

**Transcribed by Nancy H. Krohn**

The following Poll List of an election held on the 6th and 7th days of November, 1837, in Hamburg Township, Livingston County, Michigan, is found in the Michigan Historical Collections, Bentley Historical Library, The University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan. Eighty-six names are listed, but the inspectors of the election are not named. As is often the case, imagination is needed to interpret the spellings.

When Washtenaw County was "laid out" in 1822, it included the two southern tiers of townships, now part of Livingston County. Hamburg Township became part of the newly formed Livingston County in 1833.

The name of P. M'Gorren is crossed out (dup # 32).

The list is numbered and written with given name first followed by surname.

Code: Nov.xxx = Poll List 6 and 7 November 1837.ordinal numbers on original list.

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| BARBER, Nelson | Nov.73 | GALLIGHER, James | Nov.36 |
| BENNITT, Abr., Jr. | Nov.28 | GALLIGHER, Patrik | Nov.25 |
| BENNITT, Daniel L. | Nov.76 | GALLOWAY, George | Nov.43 |
| BENNITT, David | Nov.81 | GARDNER, Samuel | Nov.67 |
| BENNITT, Elijah | Nov.77 | GRIFFITH, Eastman | Nov.84 |
| BENNITT, Isaac | Nov.61 | GRISSON, George G. | Nov.68 |
| BENNITT, Justus J. | Nov.63 | GRISSON, John F. | Nov.11 |
| BENNITT, Justus J., Jr. | Nov.85 | HAIGHT, William | Nov.62 |
| BENNITT, William H. | Nov.75 | HALL, Daniel | Nov.55 |
| BRANGWIN, John | Nov.38 | HALL, Daniel | Nov.60 |
| BURNETT, James | Nov.80 | HALL, Jesse | Nov.58 |
| BUTLER, George L. | Nov.22 | HAMMOND, Amariah | Nov.01 |
| BUTTERFILD, Abner | Nov.18 | HANER, Conrad | Nov.51 |
| BUTTLER, Richard E. | Nov.29 | HANER, Jacob C. | Nov.48 |
| CAMMELL, Bradford | Nov.42 | HANER, John | Nov.49 |
| CANFIELD, Elnathan | Nov.56 | HARRIS, John | Nov.32 |
| CARPENTER, Garner | Nov.74 | HAUSE, Harman | Nov.05 |
| CASE, Elissha | Nov.04 | HAVENS, M. L. | Nov.44 |
| CASE, George W. | Nov.72 | HUGHLAND, Christoffer | Nov.02 |
| CASE, Joseph | Nov.03 | JUDGE, Morace | Nov.17 |
| CHANNAHAN, Andrew | Nov.35 | LAKE, Heman | Nov.46 |
| COIT, Edwin M. | Nov.66 | LEWINGS, Jeremiah | Nov.57 |
| COLVER, Christoff L. | Nov.15 | MERCER, George | Nov.64 |
| DAVIS, Elias | Nov.82 | MONKS, Christofer | Nov.31 |
| DAVIS, James D. | Nov.79 | MOON, George J. | Nov.50 |
| DAVIS, John | Nov.83 | O'CONNER, Patrik | Nov.26 |
| DeFORREST, Isaac | Nov.41 | OLSAVER, Cornelius | Nov.52 |
| DONLEVY, Felix | Nov.10 | OLSAVER, Lorenz | Nov.23 |
| D'WOLFF, Jason G. | Nov.71 | OLSAVER, Martin | Nov.06 |
| EDMINSTER, Will. W. | Nov.12 | OLSAVER, William | Nov.27 |
| EPLY, Conrad | Nov.16 | O'MARROW, Cornelius | Nov.07 |
| GAFFREY, Mich | Nov.34 | PUCKARD, John | Nov.33 |

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| PARKER, David | Nov.40 | RICE, Thomas J. | Nov.69 |
| PARKILL, David A. | Nov.47 | RYON, John | Nov.09 |
| PARMER, J. D. W | Nov.13 | SCHOOLMAKER, Oliver | Nov.30 |
| PETTIS, L. A. | Nov.53 | SHUBB, Major | Nov.78 |
| POWERS, Anson L. | Nov.20 | SMITH, Esiel | Nov.19 |
| POWERS, David B | Nov.21 | SPALDING, John | Nov.14 |
| RAYMOND, Hiram | Nov.37 | SLONE, David | Nov.86 |
| TAUNER, Isaac B. | Nov.54 | VANDERVOOT, Robert | Nov.08 |
| TWITCHEL, Stoddard W. | Nov.70 | VANDERVORT, Samuel | Nov.65 |
| TWITCHEL, William H. | Nov.59 | WALLAFER, Nicolaus | Nov.24 |
| VANDERFORT, George | Nov.45 | WARBURTON, John | Nov.39 |

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## A THANK-YOU NOTE TO DR. CHASE, 1866

**To Dr. A. W. Chase:**

*Dear Sir*:

The undersigned, employees in your printing and publishing establishment, not unmindful of your many manifestations of kindness towards us, and feeling particularly grateful for the splendid entertainment furnished us and our friends on Friday evening last at Hangsterfer's Hall, wish to express a sense of appreciation and obligation for this additional display of good feeling and generosity on your part. Please accept our thanks and best wishes for your continued health and prosperity; and allow us to express the hope that the relations heretofore existing between you and ourselves and which it has been your constant endeavor to render agreeable, may continue, and that we may not prove to be wholly unworthy recipients of these repeated acts of kindness.

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| A. L. Slawson | Frederick Schleede | Anna J. Davidson |
| J. E. Marshall | S. C. Gates | Elizabeth Keedle |
| Thos. Steenstra | Daniel Hardy | Tillie L. Banfield |
| W. N. Stelle | John Keating | Lois Bowen |
| Wm. Fisher | Barney Harkins | Nellie Woodard |
| Allan Campbell | Geo. Cobb | Sylvia Gaunt |
| John Bradshaw | David J. Fisher | Lizzie Henderson |
| John Harris, Jr. | Louisa D. Giles | Mary Allen |
| John D. Foster | Sarah D. Giles | Isora House |
| A. T. Shutts | Sarah L. Reese | Belle Greene |
| E. A. Leonard | Sarah A. McDevitt | Kittie Sutherland |

*Peninsular Courier and Family Visitant* 19 July 1866, p. 5, col. 3.

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## WEBSTER TOWNSHIP

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### 1874 HISTORICAL ATLAS OF WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN

# INDEX TO WEBSTER TOWNSHIP EVERTS & STEWART 1874 HISTORICAL ATLAS OF WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN

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Signed by P. H. Dowling.


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| MILLER, John | WE74.15 |
| MORGAN, E. W. | WE74.11 |
| MORGAN, F. W. | WE74.14 |
| NOONING, P. | WE74.15 |
| O..., A. | WE74.02 |

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| O..., A. | WE74.10 | STANTON, T. R. | WE74.19 |
| O..., H. | WE74.01 | STANTON, T. R. | WE74.29 |
| O..., H. | WE74.02 | STARKS, C. M. | WE74.10 |
| O..., T. | WE74.13 | SULLIVAN, P. | WE74.07 |
| O'BRINE, M. | WE74.13 | T..., R. | WE74.32 |
| O'BRINE, M. | WE74.14 | TAYLOR, S. | WE74.18 |
| O'BRINE, Thos. | WE74.24 | TERRY, I. | WE74.28 |
| OHARA, M. | WE74.34 | THOMAS, Lydia | WE74.13 |
| OHARA, M., Mrs. | WE74.04 | THOMAS, Lydia | WE74.14 |
| OHARA, M., Mrs. | WE74.09 | TODD, H. (2) | WE74.01 |
| OLCOTT, Jas. | WE74.11 | TODD, Jos. | WE74.11 |
| OLSAVER, A. | WE74.10 | TRACY, M. | WE74.31 |
| OLSAVER, C. | WE74.01 | TRAINER, M. | WE74.01 |
| OLSAVER, C. | WE74.02 | TRAINER, M. | WE74.12 |
| OLSAVER, H. | WE74.02 | V..., H. | WE74.31 |
| OLSAVER, L. | WE74.02 | V..., N. | WE74.22 |
| PARKS, Thos. | WE74.16 | V..., W. | WE74.31 |
| PARSONS, D. | WE74.21 | VALENTINE, A. | WE74.10 |
| PHELPS, G. W. & H. T. | WE74.27 | VALENTINE, Alfred | WE74.03 |
| PHELPS, H. | WE74.32 | VALENTINE, Alfred | WE74.10 |
| QUEAL, H. M. | WE74.15 | VALENTINE, G. | WE74.15 |
| QUEAL, H. M. | WE74.22 | VAN RIPER, N. | WE74.22 |
| QUEAL, R. | WE74.21 | VAN RIPER, P. | WE74.17 |
| QUEAL, R. | WE74.28 | VAN RIPER, P. | WE74.20 |
| R..., H. M. | WE74.11 | VAN RIPER, S. | WE74.20 |
| RAYWALT, J. | WE74.31 | VANDEMARK, L. | WE74.10 |
| READE, J. S. | WE74.02 | VAUGHN, J. (2) | WE74.29 |
| READE, J. S. | WE74.11 | W..., H. | WE74.11 |
| REEVE, E. | WE74.29 | W..., P. | WE74.32 |
| REEVE, J. W. | WE74.23 | WALCH, Richard | WE74.07 |
| REEVE, P. H. | WE74.36 | WALDRON, W. R. | WE74.10 |
| REEVE, R. C. (2) | WE74.29 | WALDRON, Wm. R. | WE74.23 |
| RICHARDSON, M. | WE74.18 | WALSH, James | WE74.03 |
| ROBERTS, John | WE74.06 | WALSH, James | WE74.10 |
| ROBERTS, John | WE74.07 | WALSH, N. | WE74.18 |
| RORABACHER, H. M. | WE74.01 | WARNER, D. | WE74.31 |
| ROSIER, G. | WE74.27 | WARREN, Henry | WE74.28 |
| ROSIER, G. | WE74.34 | WARREN, Henry | WE74.32 |
| S..., F. | WE74.06 | WARREN, Henry | WE74.33 |
| S..., P. | WE74.09 | WESTON, A. G. | WE74.08 |
| SCADIN, R. & W. | WE74.26 | WESTON, Wm. H. | WE74.22 |
| SCADIN, W. | WE74.26 | WHEELER, J. C. | WE74.14 |
| SHIELDS, A. | WE74.33 | WHEELER, J. C. | WE74.15 |
| SIMMES, H. | WE74.08 | WILLIAMS, Harmon | WE74.20 |
| SLEIGHT, C. | WE74.17 | WILLIAMS, J. W. | WE74.26 |
| SNYDER, R. M. (2) | WE74.12 | WILLIAMS, O. | WE74.27 |
| SNYDER, R. M. | WE74.13 | WUSLER, M. F. | WE74.16 |
| STANTON, J. | WE74.20 | WYGANT, A. | WE74.33 |
| STANTON, Mrs. | WE74.20 | ZAHN, G. | WE74.20 |

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# 1900 LODI TOWNSHIP, WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN TAX LIST
(part one)

**Transcribed by Jan E. Tripp**

The 1900 Lodi Township, Michigan tax list contains the names of persons who paid real and personal property taxes, a description of their property, the value of real and personal property, and the school district where the property is located.

Certain personal property is exempt from taxation, as follows: (1) charitable societies; (2) public libraries; (3) Grand Army of the Republic and benevolent organizations; (4) pensions receivable from the United States; (5) debts; (6) Indians who are non-citizens; (7) the library, school books, one sewing machine owned by each individual or family, and clothing of every individual; (8) household furniture, provisions, and fuel under $500 for each household; (9) mechanic's work tools not to exceed $100; (10) fire engines and equipment; (11) young livestock; and (12) personal property used in business under $200.[1] Real property exempt from taxation includes: (1) lands belonging to the United States; (2) lands belonging to the State of Michigan; (3) lands and buildings owned by any county, township, or city; (4) real estate owned by libraries, benevolent, charitable, educational and other institutions; (5) houses of public worship; (6) burial grounds; (7) real and personal property of poor persons; (8) corporations paying specific taxes; (9) property owned by agricultural societies; (10) public parks, armories, and monuments; (11) lands and buildings owned by the Grand Army of the Republic.[2]

Abbreviations found in the assessment book:

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| B.P. | Bennett's Plat[3] | N | North | Sec. | Section |
| Chris- | Christopher | NE | North East | SW | South West |
| cor. | corner | No. | Number | Theo- | Theodore |
| E | East | NW | North West | Town. | Township |
| Eman- | Emanuel | S | South | W | West |
| Geo- | George | S.A.A.R. | Saline-Ann Arbor Railroad? | | |
| Jake- | Jacob | SE | South East | | |

Key to column headings in tax list:

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|---|---|
| Pg | Assessment book page number. |
| Name | Name of taxpayer. |
| Description | Description of the land in terms a fraction of the section. |
| Sec. | Section number. Lodi Township has 36 sections, each section is about 640 acres. |
| Tn | Township number. Measured North or South of the Base Line of the Michigan survey. |
| Ra | Range number. Measured East or West of the First Principal Meridian of the Michigan survey. |
| Ac | Acres. |
| Real | Real property true cash value as found by the Board of Review, $ |
| Pers. | Personal property true cash value as found by the Board of Review, $ |
| Sch. | School district number. |

I would like to thank Marcia McCrary for digitally photographing the original assessment book at the Lodi Township Hall (3755 Pleasant Lake Road, Ann Arbor, Michigan.)

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[1] Michigan, *General Tax Law of 1893 as Amended, Annotated* (Bradley 1907), (Lansing, Michigan: Robert Smith Printing Company, 1907), 22.
[2] Ibid, 14.
[3] Michigan Bureau of Construction Codes & Fire Safety, "Statewide Search for Subdivision Plats," digital images, *Michigan Subdivision Plats* (http://www.cis.state.mi.us/platmaps/sr_subs_adv.asp: accessed 08 November 2005), "Bennett's Addition to Saline." Original plat recorded 02 September 1871, Washtenaw County Clerk and Register Office, Ann Arbor, Michigan, Book 67:626-627.

| Pg | Name | Description | Sec | Tn | Ra | Ac | Real | Pers. | Sch. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Alber Emanuel | S 1/8 of E 1/2 of NW 1/4 | 32 | 3 S | 5 E | 10 | 450 | | 7 |
| 1 | Alber Henry | on E side of E 1/2 of SE 1/4 | 30 | " | " | 25 | 900 | | 7 |
| | | SE 1/4 of NE 1/4 | 30 | " | " | 40 | 1100 | | 7 |
| 1 | Almendinger Cha's Est. | E 1/2 of NE 1/4 | 1 | " | " | 65 | 3800 | | 3 |
| 1 | Aprill Edward | W 1/2 of SE 1/4 | 4 | " | " | 80 | 4000 | | 2 |
| | | W 1/2 of E 1/2 of NW 1/4 | 9 | " | " | 40 | 1300 | | 2 |
| | | Personal | 4 | " | " | | | 100 | 2 |
| 1 | Armbruster Edward | E 1/2 of NE 1/4 | 24 | " | " | 80 | 4400 | | 4 |
| | | E 1/2 of E 1/2 of SE 1/4 | 13 | " | " | 40 | 1500 | | 4 |
| | | Personal | 24 | " | " | | | 150 | 4 |
| 1 | Allen G. W. | Lot 100 in B.P. | 36 | " | " | 0.25 | 300 | | 11 |
| 1 | Armbruster Mary M. Est. | Personal | 24 | " | " | | | 1500 | 4 |
| 1 | Armbruster Robert | N 11/16 of W 1/2 of NW 1/4 | 2 | " | " | 44 | 1700 | | 1 |
| 2 | Bauer Gottlieb | E 1/2 of SE 1/4 | 32 | 3 S | 5 E | 80 | 4800 | | 12 |
| | | W 1/2 of SW 1/4 ex 1 1/2 A in NW cor. | 33 | " | " | 78.50 | 3200 | | 12 |
| | | Personal | 32 | " | " | | | 5000 | 12 |
| 2 | Bauer Jacob | on W side of SE 1/4 ex 10 A in SE cor | 31 | " | " | 96.66 | 3650 | | 7 |
| | | S 1/2 of SW 1/4 of NE 1/4 | 31 | " | " | 20 | 650 | | 7 |
| | | S 1/2 of SE 1/4 of NE 1/4 | 31 | " | " | 20 | 500 | | 7 |
| | | Personal | 31 | " | " | | | 200 | 7 |
| 2 | Bauer Herman | Personal | 32 | " | " | | | 1000 | 12 |
| 2 | Burrows Geo. | In SW cor of SW 1/4 of NE 1/4 | 34 | " | " | 4 | 600 | | 5 |
| | | Personal | 34 | " | " | | | 2200 | 5 |
| 2 | Burrows Tom[s] | In NW cor of NE 1/4 | 33 | " | " | 12 | 600 | | 5 |
| 2 | Briggs Hiram | E 1/2 of NE 1/4 | 35 | " | " | 80 | 3500 | | 11 |
| | | S 1/4 of W 3/4 of E 1/2 of SE 1/4 | 26 | " | " | 15 | 250 | | 4 |
| | | Personal | 35 | " | " | | | 100 | 11 |
| 2 | Bassett Leonard | NW 1/4 ex 4 A in SE cor. and 16 A cut off by S.A.A.R | 36 | " | " | 144 | 7250 | | 11 |
| 3 | Bassett Harrison | on N end of W 1/2 of SE 1/4 | 36 | 3 S | 5 E | 43 | 2500 | | 11 |
| | | on N end of E 1/2 of SE 1/4 | 36 | " | " | 41 | 1500 | | 11 |
| | | 42 rd off S end of E 1/2 of NE 1/4 | 36 | " | " | 21 | 1000 | | 11 |
| | | 42 rd off S end of W 1/2 of NE 1/4 | 36 | " | " | 21 | 1200 | | 11 |
| | | N 1/5 of SW 1/4 | 36 | " | " | 32 | 1600 | | 11 |
| | | 11 2/3 A on E side of N 1/2 of S 2/5 of SW 1/4 ex 5A | 36 | " | " | 14 | 700 | | 11 |
| | | Personal | 36 | " | " | | | 250 | 11 |
| 3 | Bassett Sereno | NW 1/4 ex 14A on W side | 25 | " | " | 146 | 7200 | | 4 |
| | | W 1/2 of W 1/2 of SE 1/4 | 25 | " | " | 40 | 1200 | | 11 |
| | | Personal | 25 | " | " | | | 350 | 4 |
| 3 | Brainard Nancy | Lot 4 & S 1/2 of Lot 5 | 36 | " | " | 0.40 | 1450 | | 11 |
| 3 | Bugg Henry | S W 1/4 of SE ¼ ex -- | 34 | " | " | 36 | 1100 | | 5 |
| 3 | Binder George | In NW cor of NE 1/4 | 33 | " | " | 3 | 200 | | 5 |
| 3 | Buss William | N 3/4 of E 1/2 of SE 1/4 | 24 | " | " | 60 | 2000 | | 4 |
| 4 | Blaumenauer Bernhardt | SE 1/4 of SW 1/4 | 21 | 3 S | 5 E | 40 | 1800 | | 10 |
| | | E 1/2 of SW 1/4 of SW 1/4 | 21 | " | " | 20 | 550 | | 10 |
| | | SE 1/4 of NE 1/4 of SW 1/4 | 21 | " | " | 10 | 200 | | 10 |

| Pg | Name | Description | Sec | Tn | Ra | Ac | Real | Pers. | Sch. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | *Blaumenauer Bernhardt continued* | | | | | | | | |
| | | W 3/4 of NW 1/4 of NE 1/4 | 28 | " | " | 30 | 850 | | 5 |
| | | SE 1/4 of SE 1/4 | 20 | " | " | 40 | 1000 | | 10 |
| | | Personal | 21 | " | " | | | 200 | 10 |
| 4 | Birkle Jacob | W 1/2 of SE 1/4 | 21 | " | " | 80 | 1800 | | 10 |
| | | Personal | 21 | " | " | | | 100 | 10 |
| 4 | Braun Chris.- | E 1/2 of NE 1/4 | 28 | " | " | 80 | 2700 | | 5 |
| | | E 1/4 of NW 1/4 of NE 1/4 | 28 | " | " | 10 | 250 | | 5 |
| | | SE 1/4 of SE 1/4 | 21 | " | " | 40 | 1000 | | 10 |
| | | Personal | 28 | " | " | | | 100 | 5 |
| 4 | Bohnett Chris- | E 3/4 of E 1/2 of NW 1/4 | 16 | " | " | 60 | 2200 | | 13 |
| 4 | Bohnett Geo. J. | E 1/2 of NW 1/4 | 15 | " | " | 80 | 2600 | | 10 |
| 4 | Blanchard Willard | Lot 8 B. P. | 36 | " | " | 0.25 | | 450 | 11 |
| 4 | Beuerle Frank | SW 1/4 of SE 1/4 of SE 1/4 | 7 | " | " | 10 | 400 | | 13 |
| | | W 1/2 of E 1/4 of NE 1/4 of NE 1/4 | 18 | " | "' | 5 | 100 | | 13 |
| 5 | Blaess William | W 1/2 of NW 1/4 | 15 | 3 S | 5 E | 80 | 2250 | | 13 |
| | | E 1/2 of NE 1/4 | 16 | " | " | 80 | 3200 | | 13 |
| | | SE 1/4 of SE 1/4 | 9 | " | " | 40 | 1200 | | 13 |
| | | Personal | 16 | " | " | | | 100 | 13 |
| 5 | Blaess Robert | N 3/4 of SE 1/4 of NE 1/4 | 11 | " | " | 30 | 900 | | 8 |
| | | N 3/4 of SW 1/4 of NE 1/4 | 12 | " | " | 30 | 1000 | | 3 |
| | | N 3/4 of S 1/2 of NW 1/4 | 12 | " | " | 60 | 2600 | | 8 |
| | | Personal | 12 | " | " | | | 200 | 8 |
| 5 | Barnard Peter | Lots 82 and 83 B.P. | 36 | " | " | 0.50 | 500 | | 11 |
| 5 | Bruckner Jacob | Personal | 16 | " | " | | | 300 | 10 |
| 5 | Blaess Charles | SW 1/4 of SW 1/4 | 11 | " | " | 40 | 2400 | | 8 |
| | | W 1/2 of NW 1/4 | 14 | " | " | 80 | 2400 | | 8 |
| | | NW 1/4 of SW 1/4 | 14 | " | " | 40 | 1200 | | 8 |
| | | on W side of E 1/2 of NW 1/4 | 14 | " | " | 13.33 | 350 | | 8 |
| | | on W side of NE 1/4 of SW 1/4 | 14 | " | " | 6.66 | 150 | | 8 |
| | | Personal | 11 | " | " | | | 200 | 8 |
| 5 | Blumhardt George | E 1/2 of SE 1/4 of NW 1/4 | 31 | " | " | 20 | 750 | | 7 |
| 6 | Blaess Julius | E 1/2 of NE 1/4 | 22 | 3 S | 5 E | 80 | 2700 | | 4 |
| | | NW 1/4 of NW 1/4 | 23 | " | " | 40 | 2000 | | 4 |
| | | W 1/2 of SW 1/4 of NW 1/4 | 23 | " | " | 20 | 700 | | 4 |
| | | W 1/2 of NE 1/4 of NW 1/4 | 23 | " | " | 20 | 700 | | 4 |
| | | Personal | 23 | " | " | | | 350 | 4 |
| 6 | Blaess Herman | N 3/8 of E 1/2 of SE 1/4 | 11 | " | " | 29.50 | 1700 | | 8 |
| | | N 3/8 of W 1/2 of SW 1/4 | 12 | " | " | 29.50 | 900 | | 8 |
| | | N 1/2 of NW 1/4 of SW 1/4 | 1 | " | " | 20 | 500 | | 8 |
| | | S 1/4 of SE 1/4 of NE 1/4 | 11 | " | " | 10 | 300 | | 8 |
| | | S 1/4 of S 1/2 of NE 1/4 | 12 | " | " | 20 | 600 | | 8 |
| | | S 1/4 of SW 1/4 of NE 1/4 | 12 | " | " | 10 | 250 | | 3 |
| 6 | Blaess Albert | N 1/2 of SE 1/4 | 23 | " | " | 80 | 7000 | | 4 |
| | | on N end of W 1/2 of SW 1/4 | 24 | " | " | 46 | 2000 | | 4 |
| | | E 1/2 of NE 1/4 of NW 1/4 | 23 | " | " | 20 | 700 | | 4 |
| | | NE 1/4 of SW 1/4 | 23 | " | " | 40 | 1400 | | 4 |
| | | SE 1/4 of NW 1/4 | 23 | " | " | 40 | 1400 | | 4 |
| | | N 1/2 of NE 1/4 | 23 | " | " | 80 | 4400 | | 4 |
| | | E 1/2 of SW 1/4 of NW 1/4 | 23 | " | " | 20 | 700 | | 4 |
| | | NW 1/4 of NW 1/4 ex 1/2A in NW cor. | 24 | " | " | 39.50 | 2200 | | 4 |
| | | Personal | 23 | " | " | | | 4000 | 4 |

| Pg | Name | Description | Sec | Tn | Ra | Ac | Real | Pers. | Sch. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 6 | Burkhardt Joseph | NE 1/4 | 15 | " | " | 160 | 8000 | | 8 |
| | | NE 1/4 of SE 1/4 | 15 | " | " | 40 | 1200 | | 10 |
| | | Personal | 15 | " | " | | | 400 | 8 |
| 7 | Burkhardt Christian | Personal | 15 | 3 S | 5 E | | | 2000 | 8 |
| 7 | Burnett Anna | NW 1/4 of SW 1/4 | 11 | " | " | 40 | 1400 | | 8 |
| | | on W side of E 1/2 of SW 1/4 | 11 | " | " | 65 | 3500 | | 8 |
| | | In SE cor of NW 1/4 | 11 | " | " | 21.50 | 750 | | 8 |
| | | In SW cor of SE 1/4 | 11 | " | " | 0.90 | 50 | | 8 |
| | | Personal | 11 | " | " | | | 500 | 8 |
| 7 | Bonner James | W 1/2 of NW 1/4 | 11 | " | " | 80 | 3500 | | 8 |
| | | on N end of E 1/2 of NW 1/4 | 11 | " | " | 51 | 1750 | | 8 |
| | | Personal | 11 | " | " | | | 250 | 8 |
| 7 | Bahnmiller Charles | In NE cor of W 1/2 of NW 1/4 | 9 | " | " | 20 | 900 | | 2 |
| 7 | Birkle Gottlob | In NE cor of E part of | 36 | " | " | 0.25 | 350 | | 11 |
| 7 | Bunting Selina | NE 1/4 | 4 | " | " | 128 | 7500 | | 1 |
| | | In SW cor of W 1/2 of SE 1/4 | 3 | " | " | 12 | 350 | | 1 |
| | | Personal | 4 | " | " | | | 13000 | 1 |
| 8 | Blum Philip | In SW cor of NW 1/4 | 13 | 3 S | 5 E | 22 | 1500 | | 8 |
| | | E 11/16 of W 1/2 of SE 1/4 | 26 | " | " | 55 | 2000 | | 4 |
| | | E 1/2 of E 1/2 of W 1/2 of W 1/2 of NE 1/4 | 35 | " | " | 10 | 250 | | 4 |
| 8 | Brenion Fred | E 1/2 of NW 1/4 | 24 | " | " | 80 | 4700 | | 4 |
| | | W 1/2 of W 1/2 of SE 1/4 | 13 | " | " | 40 | 1400 | | 4 |
| 8 | Clements W$^{m}$ | NE 1/4 | 25 | " | " | 160 | 6100 | | 4 |
| | | E 1/2 of W 1/2 of SE 1/4 | 25 | " | " | 40 | 1200 | | 11 |
| | | Personal | 25 | " | " | | | 550 | 4 |
| 8 | Clough James | SW 1/4 of NW 1/4 | 27 | " | " | 40 | 1150 | | 5 |
| | | E 5/8 of NW 1/4 of NE 1/4 | 33 | " | " | 25 | 700 | | 5 |
| | | W 1/2 of SE 1/4 | 28 | " | " | 80 | 3800 | | 5 |
| | | Personal | 28 | " | " | | | 300 | 5 |
| 8 | Cornell Jedediah | E 1/2 of SW 1/4 | 15 | " | " | 80 | 3000 | | 10 |
| 8 | Cornell Wilt | E 1/2 of W 1/2 of SE 1/4 | 16 | " | " | 40 | 1600 | | 10 |
| 9 | Clough Elmer | Personal | 12 | 3 S | 5 E | | | 400 | 8 |
| 9 | Castle Arthur | In NW cor of SW 1/4 of SE 1/4 | 34 | " | " | 1 | | 50 | 5 |
| 9 | Carr James | In centre of NW 1/4 of SW 1/4 | 13 | " | " | 15 | 600 | | 8 |
| 9 | Drake Edgar | E 1/3 of S 3/8 of W 1/2 of SW 1/4 | 27 | " | " | 10 | 400 | | 5 |
| 9 | Drake Hector | E 1/2 of NW 1/4 ex 10A on S end | 32 | " | " | 70 | 2000 | | 7 |
| | | E 2/3 of S 3/8 of SW 1/4 | 29 | " | " | 40 | 1100 | | 7 |
| 9 | Drake Johnathan | In centre of E 1/2 of SE 1/4 | 16 | " | " | 40 | 1400 | | 10 |
| 9 | Drake Frank | S 3/4 of E 1/2 of SE 1/4 | 8 | " | " | 60 | 1900 | | 13 |
| 10 | Duible Abraham | W 1/2 of NE 1/4 | 18 | 3 S | 5 E | 80 | 3800 | | 13 |
| | | In NE cor of NW 1/4 | 18 | " | " | 1 | 50 | | 13 |
| | | In SW cor of NE 1/4 of NE 1/4 | 18 | " | " | 20 | 500 | | 13 |
| | | SE 1/4 of NW 1/4 | 18 | " | " | 40 | 1200 | | 13 |
| | | E 1/2 of SE 1/4 of SE 1/4 | 7 | " | " | 20 | 600 | | 13 |
| | | SW 1/4 of NW 1/4 | 18 | " | " | 40 | 1400 | | 13 |
| | | NE 1/4 of SW 1/4 | 18 | " | " | 40 | 1100 | | 13 |
| | | W 1/2 of NW 1/4 of NW 1/4 | 18 | " | " | 20 | 700 | | 13 |
| | | Personal | 18 | " | " | | | 600 | 13 |
| 10 | Duible W$^{m}$ | S 3/4 of W 1/2 of SE 1/4 | 8 | " | " | 60 | 1600 | | 13 |
| | | W 1/2 of W 1/2 of SW 1/4 | 8 | " | " | 39.25 | 600 | | 13 |
| | | W 1/2 of NW 1/4 of NE 1/4 | 17 | " | " | 20 | 900 | | 13 |
| | | Personal | 17 | " | " | | | 300 | 13 |

| Pg | Name | Description | Sec | Tn | Ra | Ac | Real | Pers. | Sch. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 10 | Doldt George | S 5/8 of E 1/2 of SE 1/4 | 11 | " | " | 50.50 | 2100 | | 8 |
| | | S 5/8 of W 1/2 of SW 1/4 | 12 | " | " | 50.50 | 2000 | | 8 |
| | | on W side of E 1/2 of SW 1/4 | 12 | " | " | 34 | 1000 | | 8 |
| | | Personal | 12 | " | " | | | 300 | 8 |
| 10 | Downing Mrs. | E 1/2 of NE 1/4 | 10 | " | " | 80 | 3000 | | 1 |
| 10 | Daniels Alfred | Personal | 25 | " | " | | | 200 | 4 |
| 11 | Eagen Thomas Est | NE 1/4 of SE 1/4 | 20 | 3 S | 5 E | 40 | 700 | | 10 |
| | | E 1/2 of NW 1/4 of SW 1/4 | 21 | " | " | 20 | 400 | | 10 |
| | | W 1/2 of NW 1/4 | 21 | " | " | 80 | 3400 | | 10 |
| | | In S end of the E 1/2 of NW 1/4 ex 3A in SE cor | 21 | " | " | 35 | 1000 | | 10 |
| | | on W side of NE 1/4 of SW 1/4 | 21 | " | " | 23 | 500 | | 10 |
| | | Personal | 21 | " | " | | | 700 | 10 |
| 11 | Ehnis Jacob & Fred | E 1/2 of SW 1/4 | 3 | " | " | 80 | 3700 | | 1 |
| | | NW 1/4 of SW 1/4 | 3 | " | " | 40 | 2700 | | 1 |
| | | S 3/4 of W 1/2 of NW 1/4 | 3 | " | " | 40 | 1800 | | 1 |
| | | S 1/2 of SE 1/4 of SE 1/4 | 4 | " | " | 20 | 800 | | 2 |
| | | Personal | 3 | " | " | | | 250 | 1 |
| 11 | Ehnis Chris- | W 1/2 of NW 1/4 | 10 | " | " | 80 | 3350 | | 2 |
| | | SW 1/4 of SW 1/4 | 3 | " | " | 40 | 2000 | | 2 |
| | | Personal | 10 | " | " | | | 100 | 2 |
| 11 | Ehnis Lydia | Personal | 8 | " | " | | | 1000 | 2 |
| 11 | Eyel Christian | E 1/2 of NE 1/4 | 17 | " | " | 80 | 3700 | | 13 |
| | | E 1/2 of NW 1/4 of NE 1/4 | 17 | " | " | 20 | 600 | | 13 |
| | | E 1/2 of NE 1/4 of SE 1/4 | 17 | " | " | 20 | 600 | | 10 |
| | | E 1/2 of W 1/2 of SW 1/4 ex 1 3/4A in SE cor | 8 | " | " | 39.25 | 600 | | 13 |
| | | Personal | 17 | " | " | | | 1300 | 13 |
| 11 | Esty Mary | E 1/2 of NE 1/4 | 3 | " | " | 64 | 2600 | | 1 |
| 12 | Ford and Son | Part of Lot 6 with store | 36 | 3 S | 5 E | 0.50 | 1000 | | 11 |
| | | Lots 93 and 94 B. P | 36 | " | " | 0.50 | 1800 | | 11 |
| | | Lot 31 B. P. | 36 | " | " | 0.25 | 50 | | 11 |
| | | Personal | 36 | " | " | | | 5000 | 11 |
| 12 | Ford Flavius D. | Lots 26-27-28 B.P. | 36 | " | " | 0.80 | 1600 | | 11 |
| 12 | Furthmiller Chris- | W 1/2 of SW 1/4 of SW 1/4 | 7 | " | " | 20 | 800 | | 13 |
| | | Personal | 7 | " | " | | | 1000 | 13 |
| 12 | Furthmiller Fred | E 1/2 of NW 1/4 of NW 1/4 | 18 | " | " | 20 | 700 | | 13 |
| | | NE 1/4 of NW 1/4 ex 1A in NE cor | 18 | " | " | 39 | 1100 | | 13 |
| 12 | French Wm | Lot 52 B. P. | 36 | " | " | 0.25 | 150 | | 11 |
| 12 | Fritz John Est. Fritz Julius | NW 1/4 of NW 1/4 | 29 | " | " | 40 | 1400 | | 7 |
| | | Personal | 29 | " | " | | | 400 | 7 |
| 13 | Feuerbacher John | Bou N by Bassett E & S by R.R. W by SAR | 36 | 3 S | 5 E | 4.10 | 1000 | | 11 |
| 13 | Feuerbacher John Jr | on E end of SE 1/4 of SW 1/4 | 36 | " | " | 0.25 | 160 | | 11 |
| | | *["Fred Walker 2 1/4A" interlined below in pencil.]* | | | | | | | |
| 13 | Fellenberger Philip | Personal | 16 | " | " | | | 150 | 13 |
| 13 | Feldkamp Henry | NW 1/4 | 17 | " | " | 160 | 5200 | | 13 |
| | | on S end of E 1/2 of W 1/2 of SW 1/4 | 8 | " | " | 1.50 | 450 | | 13 |
| | | E 1/8 of NE 1/4 of NE 1/4 | 18 | " | " | 5 | 150 | | 13 |
| | | Personal | 17 | " | " | | | 200 | 13 |

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| 13 | Finch Rolland | W 1/2 of SE 1/4 | 15 | " | " | 80 | 3200 | | 10 |
| | | SE 1/4 of SE 1/4 | 15 | " | " | 40 | 1300 | | 10 |
| | | Personal | 15 | " | " | | | 200 | 10 |
| 14 | Grosshans John | E 1/2 of NE 1/4 | 21 | 3 S | 5 E | 80 | 2400 | | 10 |
| | | S 1/2 of SE 1/4 of SE 1/4 | 16 | " | " | 20 | 1100 | | 10 |
| | | E 1/2 of SW 1/4 of NE 1/4 | 21 | " | " | 20 | 500 | | 10 |
| | | Personal | 16 | " | " | | | 200 | 10 |
| 14 | Geddes David | NE 1/4 of NW 1/4 | 10 | " | " | 40 | 1850 | | 2 |
| | | N 3/4 of E 1/2 of SE 1/4 | 4 | " | " | 60 | 2000 | | 2 |
| | | Personal | 10 | " | " | | | 100 | 2 |
| 14 | Goltz Michael | on S end of NW 1/4 ex 1A in SW cor | 34 | " | " | 48 | 1300 | | 5 |
| 14 | Gensley Chris- | NW 1/4 of SE 1/4 | 17 | " | " | 40 | 1400 | | 13 |
| | | SW 1/4 of NE 1/4 | 17 | " | " | 40 | 1100 | | 13 |
| | | W 1/2 of NE 1/4 of SE 1/4 | 17 | " | " | 20 | 600 | | 10 |
| | | Personal | 17 | " | " | | | 200 | 13 |
| 14 | Geisel Conrad | W 1/2 of SW 1/4 | 31 | " | " | 80 | 3200 | | 7 |
| | | W 1/4 of E 1/2 of SW 1/4 | 31 | " | " | 20 | 500 | | 7 |
| | | E 2/3 of E 1/2 of SE 1/4 | 31 | " | " | 53.33 | 1400 | | 7 |
| | | Personal | 31 | " | " | | | 350 | 7 |
| 15 | Geisel Christina | Lots 29 and 30 B. P. | 36 | 3 S | 5 E | 0.50 | 150 | | 11 |
| 15 | Guenther Geo | N 3/4 of W 1/2 of NW 1/4 | 28 | " | " | 60 | 2400 | | 10 |
| | | W 1/2 of W 1/2 of SW 1/4 | 21 | " | " | 40 | 1400 | | 10 |
| | | E 3/8 of SW 1/4 of NE 1/4 | 29 | " | " | 15 | 400 | | 7 |
| | | NE 1/4 of NW 1/4 | 29 | " | " | 40 | 1600 | | 7 |
| | | NW 1/4 of NE 1/4 | 29 | " | " | 40 | 1200 | | 7 |
| | | E 1/4 of NE 1/4 of NE 1/4 | 29 | " | " | 10 | 200 | | 7 |
| | | E 1/2 of W 1/2 of SE 1/4 | 29 | " | " | 40 | 1100 | | 7 |
| | | Personal | 28 | " | " | | | 400 | 10 |
| 15 | Guenther Geo- Jr. | N 5/8 of SW 1/4 ex 10A in NW cor. | 29 | " | " | 90 | 3150 | | 7 |
| | | Personal | 29 | " | " | | | 100 | 7 |
| 16 | Herter George J. | SW 1/4 ex 20A in SE cor. | 9 | 3 S | 5 E | 140 | 5300 | | 13 |
| | | In NW cor of SE 1/4 | 9 | " | " | 7.50 | 200 | | 13 |
| | | Personal | 9 | " | " | | | 200 | 13 |
| 16 | Hirth Simon Jr. | W 1/2 of NE 1/4 | 7 | " | " | 80 | 3400 | | 2 |
| | | E 1/2 of SE 1/4 ex 27 A on W side | 6 | " | " | 53 | 2650 | | 2 |
| | | Personal | 6 | " | " | | | 300 | 2 |
| 16 | Hirth Simon | SE 1/4 ex 53 A on E side | 6 | " | " | 107 | 5700 | | 2 |
| | | E 3/4 of SE 1/4 of SW 1/4 | 6 | " | " | 30 | 900 | | 2 |
| | | SW 1/4 of NW 1/4 | 5 | " | " | 33 | 900 | | 9 |
| | | NW 1/4 of SE 1/4 of SE 1/4 | 7 | " | " | 10 | 300 | | 13 |
| | | NE 1/4 of SE 1/4 | 7 | " | " | 40 | 1200 | | 13 |
| | | Personal | 6 | " | " | | | 600 | 2 |
| 16 | Hirth Henry | E 1/2 of NW 1/4 | 8 | " | " | 80 | 3300 | | 2 |
| | | E 1/2 of SW 1/4 | 8 | " | " | 80 | 2650 | | 2 |
| | | E 1/2 of W 1/2 of NW 1/4 | 8 | " | " | 40 | 2700 | | 2 |
| | | Personal | 8 | " | " | | | 600 | 2 |
| 16 | Hirth Abram Est. | E 1/2 of NE 1/4 | 7 | " | " | 80 | 3500 | | 2 |
| | | Personal | 6 | " | " | | | 1700 | 2 |

*(To be continued)*

# DOG TAX LIST, PITTSFIELD TOWNSHIP, WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN, 1870

**Transcribed by Jan E. Tripp**

The following Pittsfield Township dog tax list is found in the Michigan Historical Collections, Bentley Historical Library, The University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

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|---|---|---|---|
| ALEXANDER, J B | 001 | OZIUS, Wm. | 040 |
| ARMBRUSTER, John | 002 | PEASE, W. H | 041 |
| ANDERSON, Wm. E. | 003 | PLATT, H. O. | 042 |
| ANDERSON, L. S. | 004 | PICKETT, C. E. | 043 |
| BROWNELL, Daniel | 005 | PETERSON, Daniel | 044 |
| BARRIGHT, John | 006 | POPE, Mrs. Charles | 045 |
| BOOTH, Nelson | 007 | PRESTON, Roswell | 046 |
| BOHNETT, J. George | 008 | PITKIN, David | 047 |
| BICKFORD, E. L. | 009 | ROSE, John (F) | 048 |
| BEGOLE, M. H. | 010 | RATHFORN, F. D. | 049 |
| COOK, Emanuel | 011 | ROBERTS, W. H. L. | 050 |
| CRANE, Edwin | 012 | RAYER, Christian | 051 |
| COOK, J. G. | 013 | RICE, Enos H. (2) | 052 |
| CUFITT, Charles | 014 | SCHLEE, George | 053 |
| CANFIELD, W. J. | 015 | SUTHERLAND, Nelson | 054 |
| CARROLL, Thomas | 016 | SMITH, B. N. | 055 |
| DEPUE, Daniel | 017 | SUTHERLAND, Daniel | 056 |
| DAY, Benjamin | 018 | SUTHERLAND, Tobias | 057 |
| FOSDICK, Chauncy | 019 | SHAW, James | 058 |
| FOWLER, Philo | 020 | SMITH, J. F. | 059 |
| FARNILL, Isaac | 021 | SMITH, E. J. L. | 060 |
| GULBALINNTE, Wm | 022 | SWEET, J. M. | 061 |
| HUTZEL, George | 023 | SIMPSON, John | 062 |
| HUTZEL, Frederick (F) | 024 | TICKNER, G. W. | 063 |
| HINCKLEY, Sherman | 025 | TATE, John | 064 |
| HARRISON, Frank | 026 | VOKES, James | 065 |
| JUDSON, Henry | 027 | VALENTINE, M. S. | 066 |
| JACKSON, Albert | 028 | WILSEY, Joseph | 067 |
| KEMPF, J. G. | 029 | WELCH, T. W. | 068 |
| KELLEY, D A. | 030 | WARNER, O. L. | 069 |
| KELLOGG, Justin | 031 | WHEELER, W. A. (F) | 070 |
| LOHR , Phillip | 032 | WEBSTER, D. B. | 071 |
| LANSING, Frank F. | 033 | WILSEY, David | 072 |
| LEWIS, Reece | 034 | WOOD, J. C. | 073 |
| MARTIN, W. R. (F) | 035 | WEBB, Nathan | 074 |
| MILLS, Stephen | 036 | WOOD, Thomas | 075 |
| MC DOWELL, J. S. | 037 | HENION, G. M. | 076 |
| MORGAN, Samuel A. | 038 | BEST, E. R. | 077 |
| NORGATE, Stephen | 039 | TEACH, John G. | 078 |

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# WILLIAM MERIAM WILCOX FAMILY BIBLE RECORD

This family Bible record was transcribed and kindly donated by Lucile Gambill from a Bible in her possession. She is the great-granddaughter of Charlotte Wilcox Drumm (1820–1892) listed in the record. Mrs. Gambill included the following paragraph with the record. Spelling, capitalization, dates, and crossed out entries are as found in the original including the death year listed for Mrs. Elizebeth Wilcox as 8177.

> William M. Wilcox is listed as a trustee at the founding of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Valatie, Columbia County, New York, in 1835, and is in the 1840 census of Kinderhook. His wife, Elizabeth, died at Kinderhook, Columbia County, in 1877. Descendants of this family moved to Ann Arbor in the early 1900s.

*THE HOLY BIBLE, containing the OLD AND NEW TESTAMENTS: translated out of the original tongues: and With the Former Translations diligently compared and revised, and the APOCRYPHA: with Marginal References*. Philadelphia: Printed for Berriman and Co. by Jacob Berriman, [*no date*].

[*written inside the Bible*]
Charlotte Wilcox – Boston January 29th 1820 [*sister of William Meriam Wilcox.*]

**Births**

Wm M Wilcox was born on Sunday ~~th~~ 18th Oct 1795
Elisebeth his wife was born March 17th 1801 We ware married Nov 30th 1817 thier children are as follows
Hannah Maria Wilcox was Born on Friday 25th Sept 1818
Charlotte Wilcox was born on Monday 3d April 1820
The Twins Sally Ann & Mary Ann ware born on teusday 20th Nov 1821
Jesse Palmer Wilcox was born on Friday 19th Sept 1823
William Wilcox Jr was born on teusday Aug 3d 1825
Edmond Dean Wilcox was born on Wednesday April 11th 1827
Frederick Ward Wilcox was born on thursday Oct. 16th 1828
Sally Wilcox was born on Monday Aug 2d 1830
Elizabeth Wilcox was born on Thursday Oct 11th 1832
Lydia Wilcox was born on Teusday 6th Jany 1835
Laura Wilcox was born [*?*]d March 1836 on Thursday
Laura Wilcox 2d was born 28th September 1837 on Thursday
Emily Jane Wilcox was Born Jany 21st 1839 on Monday
[*four more children are listed on a following page*]

**Deaths**

Sally Ann Wilcox died on Wednesday 13th Feby 1822 aged 2 months & 22 days
Laura Wilcox died on Thursday 28th September 1837 aged one year six months & twenty two days
Emily Jane Wilcox died on Sunday ~~2~~ 4th Oct. 1840 aged 20 months & 13 days.
Lydda Wilcox thee 17 child died on Friday 18th August 1843 aged 7 weeks & 2 days
Rebecca Wilcox the 18th child ~~was born~~ Died on Thursday 29th June 1844 aged 2 weeks & one day
Elisebteh Wilcox Died January 28th 1847 aged 16 years 3 months & 17 days
Wm Wilcox Jr Died Aug 2d 1851 age 26 years wanting 1 day
Wm Willcox the father of the above children died December 22 1852 age 59 year
Jesse Palmer Wilcox Died 8 of July in becase of his cuntry at Meressberou Tennesee in his thirty 39 yere

Jesse B. Wilcox the father of three following children was married Aug 19th 1792 & his wife Bulah died Jany 5th 1808 aged 38 years
Charlotte Wilcox was born Oct 31 1793 & died Feb 15th 1826-

Wm Meriam Wilcox was born Oct 18th 1795
Sarah Wilcox was born Jany 29th 1799
Jesse B Wilcox the father of the three above named children died March 1822 aged about 52 years

Sarah Wilcox was married March 1822 her children are as follows
Wm D Willis was born Jany 3d 1827
Henry A Willis was born May 3d 1828

Children of William M & Elizebeth Wilcox continued
Frances Emily Wilcox Born Novm 12th 1840 on Thursday
Beulah Meriam Wilcox was Born on Monday 7th Dec 1841
Lydda Wilcox the 17 child was born on ~~the~~ Wednesday 28 June 1843
Rebecca Wilcox The 18th child was born on Wednesday 12th June 1844

Freddy W Bouse was Born May Thersday 24 1866
Bulah Bouse dide October 3 1876
Laura Moor dide October 4 1875
Mrs Elizebeth Wilcox Dide ~~October~~ November 25 8177
E D Wilcox Dide Dec 4 1877
Hannah Maria Barker Died Tuesday night August 21st 1888
Charlott Wilcox Drumm Died Feb 7 1892
Elvira Wilcox Died [*no date entered*]
Sarah Wilcox Died [*no date entered*]

*GSWC Bible Records Registry*

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## MANUAL OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN, FOR THE YEAR 1898–1899

### School Officers, Sharon Township

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|---|---|
| District 1 | Director, Geo. Gieskie, Manchester. Moderator, Bert Rose. Assessor, A. C. Smythe. |
| District 2 | Director, Wm. J. Schlicht, Manchester. Moderator, Bernhardt Lindbert. Assessor, J. J. Walker. |
| District 3 | Director, E. E. Baker, Manchester. Moderator, D. M. Burch. Assessor, B. Raymond. |
| District 4 | Director, J. Hayer, Chelsea. Moderator, J. Lehman. Assessor, M. Kusterer. |
| District 5 | Director, John Alber, Chelsea. Moderator, Joseph Bauer. Assessor, Herman Ortbrink. |
| District 6 | Director, John P. Mount, Norvell. Moderator, Lyman Hulbert. Assessor, E. E. Bowers. |

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## DEATH OF BENJAMIN WOODRUFF, ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN, 1873

AN OLD MAN. Benj. Woodruff, father of Dr. Woodruff and Peter D. Woodruff of this city and Charles Woodruff of Ypsilanti...about 6 months into his 90th year, probably oldest man now living in this city. His father was a Rev. Soldier and died at the age of 94. (Local)

*Peninsular Courier and Family Visitant,* Jan. 24, 1873. p. 3.

## QUERIES AND REQUESTS

**BOTSFORD**
**DURAND**
**JACOX**
**JACKSON**
**SHANKLAND**

Samuel Botsford, Sr. b. in Milford, New Haven, CT 15 Jun 1789. Came with his family to Washt Co. in 1833, d. in Northfield Twp 20 Sept 1878. Son Samuel Botsford, Jr., b. NY ca 1815 came with his parents, marr. Hepsabeth Jacox/Jackson in Washt Co. 1838, moved to Locke Twp, Ingham Co. abt 1860–61, and d. 22 Sept 1872. Aaron Botsford, brother of Samuel Jr., mvd to Williamstown Twp, Ingham Co. abt the same time. Another brother, David Luther Botsford b. NY ca 1829, marr. Arabella Shankland and lived in Northfield Twp, Washt Co. Sk evidence that Samuel Jr., is the son of Samuel, Sr. There are no probate records for Samuel Sr., in Washt. Co.

Cathy Durand, 8 Hickory Hill Dr., O'Fallon, MO 63366. E-mail: cldd21@hotmail.com

**HALL**
**KENDALL**
**LOWELL**
**NORRIS**

Aaron Norris b. NJ 23 Jan 1807, d. 23 June 1882, in Grand Rapids, MI. Lived in Rochester, NY in 1830, and is found in Pittsfield Twp, Washt Co. 1834 Territorial census. He bought and sold land in Ann Arbor Twp and also in Northville Twp, Wayne Co. between 1837 and 1842. By 1850 he was in Lansing, MI with his wife, Louisa Lowell Norris and their 4 ch: Cornelia b. NY Jun 1834; Melvina b. MI 1836; Charles A. b MI 1838; Ellen b. 1848. While Aaron was in Washt Co., there were other Norrises in the county: Josiah, John, John W., and James. Was Aaron related to any of these Norrises? Sk proof that he was the s/o John Norris & Mariah/Mary Hall Norris of Morris Co., NJ.

Jim Kendall, 734 Wing Ct., Charlotte, MI 48813. E-mail: kendallja6844@att.net

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**IN MEMORIAM**

**DORIS BABLE**

**1927–18 SEPT 2012**

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**IN MEMORIAM**

**HELEN EGGERS GRAHAM**

**28 SEPT 1917–22 SEPT 2012**

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**IN MEMORIAM**

**LOUIS CHRISTIAN BAUER**

**26 OCT 1924–21 NOV 2012**

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# News-Pages of the GSWC

**The Genealogical Society of Washtenaw County, Michigan, Inc.** **2 January 2013**
**To Accompany *Family History Capers*** **Vol. 36, No. 2**

**GSWC Meetings** are held at 1:30 pm at the Education Center Auditorium, St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Campus, 5305 Elliott Drive, Ypsilanti, Michigan, usually the fourth Sunday of the month, September to May.

**Upcoming Meetings Winter 2013:**
**27 January 2013: "Using the State Archives"** by Jessica Miller. Her talk will cover what resources are available at the Archives of Michigan, including an overview of the Abrams Foundation Historical Collection. She will describe several types of records that are relevant to genealogical research, give some tips on searching them, and outline ways to prepare at home before visiting the Archives. Jessica will also talk a bit about what the archives have that is related to Washtenaw County specifically.

Jessica Miller is an archivist at the Archives of Michigan. She currently works with records from the Office of the Great Seal, helps to staff the reference desk, contributes to digitization projects, and assists in answering telephone and e-mail reference questions. Jessica earned a Master of Library and Information Science degree and a Graduate certificate in Archives Administration from Wayne State University in 2009.

**Class: "Sharing Artifacts".** Bring with you an item that has been passed down in your family, and share its story with the group. For items too large to carry, you may bring a picture, or send one to **info@washtenawgenealogy.org** for pre-loading in the computer, so all can see it. (You also might want to do this with very small items, to make them large enough to view.)

**24 February 2013**: **"The Underground Railroad in Michigan"** by Donna Odom.
**Class:** Panel of GSWC members sharing their Favorite Websites. Learn which genealogical sites are helpful to your search. We hope there will be time for the audience to add their favorites!

**24 March 2013: "Marriage and Divorce in the 19th Century"** by Bobbie Snow.
**Class: TBA**

**Reports on Fall Meetings:**
**28 October 2012: "Beyond the Federal Population Schedule"** by Jim Jackson. Mr. Jackson displayed various schedules for years beginning with 1850 that provided information to the researcher going beyond the regular census information. He distributed a handout called "Beyond the Federal Population Schedule" that lists Michigan counties, years, types of schedules and where the information is located. He talked in detail about the types of information contained on the schedules which include information on mortality, agriculture, manufacturing, libraries, schools and churches.

Mr. Jackson also pointed out that other Michigan resources can be accessed at **www.michlist.com**. This website provides for the first time a cumulative index of Michigan resources including cemetery transcriptions, plat maps, naturalization records and many more items, indexed by name. Reported by Janet Gilkey

**Class: "Free to Michigan Residents"** by Ceil Jensen. One of our favorite speakers returned to present a speech on places to look for free information. She started out with **stevemorse.org**, discussing his 'One Step' tools for places such as Ellis Island. He also has Enumeration District Maps to help you with the Census. Another interesting suggestion was about the free maps at the library of Congress web site: **http://www.loc.gov/index.html** . Click on the "Ask a Librarian" button, or use the "Maps and Geography" link under the "Topics" heading. If you want historical maps of Poland, try: **mapywig.org** . Don't forget to check out the wikis at **familysearch.org** . This is just a sampling of her suggestions, there were at least 26!
Reported by Marcia McCrary

**2 December 2012: "Michigan at War: The Struggle for the Old Northwest, 1812 – 1815"** by Dr. Jim McConnell. Dr. McConnell briefly summarized the significance of Michigan in the War of 1812. This is more thoroughly detailed in the one page "Statement of Significance" contained in "Michigan at War: The Struggle for the Old Northwest: 1812-1815" that was distributed. He proceeded to explain key Michigan events and describe key personalities in the War of 1812 through a PowerPoint presentation. As Dr. McConnell described these events, he showed their locations and some of the historical sites that can still be viewed today. These sites include Fort Meigs and structures along the River Raisin. He also vividly described how key individuals such as Tecumseh and The Prophet played roles in the War of 1812. His presentation followed the chronology of events as specified in the

handout. There is also a map in the handout that shows the Great Lakes Region from 1795-1814 as well as a brief bibliography. At the end of the presentation, Dr. McConnell distributed a map of Route 1812 Driving Tour. Additional information on the War of 1812 can be obtained from **www.michigan.gov/war1812** .

Reported by Janet Gilkey

**Class:** Panel of GSWC members with War of 1812 ancestors:
Marcia McCrary showed the information she has found about her 3rd great-grandfather, Joseph McClure. He was not located in White's *War of 1812 Pension Application Index*, but both the Cattaraugus County, NY History and a document of an 1858 Congressional debate on his pension found at Google Books refer to his participation.

Carolyn Griffin had 2 sets of 3rd great-grandparents, and a 4th great-grandfather who were involved in the War of 1812: John Kidd, 1769-1862, and wife, Lucy Melton, 1769-1861; George Washington Eubank, 1792-1855, and wife, Mary Wills, 1805-1881; and William Lookadoo, 1797-1880, and wife, Elizabeth (Betsy) Kidd. She found War of 1812 Pension Applications, Service Records, Muster Roll and Pay Roll to document her ancestors' participation in the war. One of the more interesting items showed the 7 year process to obtain a pension, after being turned down several times! She also highlighted the liberal approach to spelling of names.

Connie Olsen told us about her efforts to find more information about Orman Goodsell's involvement in the War of 1812. He lived in Dutchess County, NY. Connie listed the types of documents which Carolyn's presentation displayed.

Jan Tripp talked about his search for his War of 1812 ancestor, Charles Tripp of Scarsboro, Upper Canada.

Reported by Marcia McCrary

**Other Items of Interest**:
From Kris Rzepczynski, **Archives of Michigan**: The grand opening of the Abrams Foundation Historical Collection will be held on Saturday, January 5, 2013 at the Archives of Michigan in Lansing. There will be a small ceremony at 10:30 am with welcoming remarks. Tours of the Archives will also be available throughout the day. January 5 also marks the first day of the new Saturday hours. New hours, effective 5 January 2013, are M-F 1pm-5pm and Sat 10am-4pm.

The Archives of Michigan has added the 1884 and 1894 Michigan Census to **www.seekingmichigan.org** . The images are available to search and print for free. A complete list of which counties are included can be found under the "Discover" heading.

The Archives of Michigan has also announced that the original survey maps of Michigan's 1,400 individual township parcels have been scanned and are now available to search, browse and print at **www.seekingmichigan.org** . These are the maps created by the federal government as it was laying out Michigan's township and range grid system. Some maps documenting later resurveys are also included. The maps show bodies of water and land formations throughout the state. They can be searched by township name, or by coordinates.

**February 9, 2013**, is the date of the annual **DSGR bus trip to Allen County Public Library** in Fort Wayne, Indiana. GSWC members are welcome to join the tour at the pick-up stop in Chelsea (pre-arrangement required). Visit the DSGR website for a registration form, cost and more information: **www.dsgr.org**

**March 22-23: "55th Annual Michigan in Perspective: The Local History Conference"**. This conference is held in Metro Detroit each March, and includes sessions on many aspects of Southeast Michigan history, as well as genealogy, oral history, archival issues, and more. This year, the conference will be held at the Holiday Inn—Livonia Conference Center in Wayne County. Check the website below for more details: **www.hsmichigan.org/conferences/local-history-conference**.

**GSWC Information:**

The GSWC donated money thru the Illinois State Genealogical Society to assist with the preservation of records from the War of 1812. Over $40, 000 was raised!

The GSWC web committee reports our site has been upgraded, and you may notice some changes. We continue to add items, and are working on revisions. Questions on access to our website or instructions? Email **info@washtenawgenealogy.org**

Interested in helping with the News-Pages? Contact Marcia McCrary. Thanks to Janet Gilkey for her reports!

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